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In re patent application of:

James A. Euchner et. al.

Serial No.: 10/645,376

Filed: August 21, 2003

Confirmation No.: 7462



) Date: December 13, 2005

) Attorney Docket No.: F-660

) Customer No.: 00919

) Group Art Unit: 2876

) Examiner: Jared Fureman

Title: **POSTAGE INDICIA INCLUDING ENCODED INK CHARACTERISTIC DATA**

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	-	Highest Number Previously Paid For	=	Number of Extra Claims Present	X	Rate	=	Additional Fee
Total Claims	28	-	28	=	0	X	\$50.00	=	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	4	-	4	=	0	X	\$200.00	=	\$ 0.00
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

In response to the October 25, 2005, Final Rejection, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

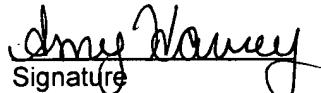
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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